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Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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	Examiner	Art Unit	
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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--
All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Application filed 2/23/2004.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-10.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 23 February 2004 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ |
| 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date <u>0204, 0704</u> | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Brian Seidlick on June 6th, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1 is amended to read:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A light receiving module for receiving an optical signal and outputting an electrical signal corresponding to said optical signal, said light receiving module comprising:

a stem made of metal;

a first die capacitor mounted on said stem, said die capacitor having an upper electrode and lower electrodes, said upper electrode including a mounting area and a bonding area;

a light receiving device mounted on said mounting area of said first die capacitor with a fixing material, said light receiving device receiving said optical signal and outputting an electrical signal corresponding to said optical signal and electrically connected to said bonding area; and

a bonding wire for electrically connecting said light receiving device to said upper electrode of said first die capacitor;

wherein said first die capacitor has a structure for interrupting said fixing material from spreading from said mounting area to said bonding area.

On line 25 of page 3 of the specification, "seal glass 7." should read "seal glass 8."

On line 3 of page 4 of the specification, "lower electrode 10" should read "lower electrode 11".

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-10 are allowable over the prior art.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

With respect to claim 1, US 6,900,512 B2 to Kohmoto et al, US 2003/0183834 A1 to Kohmoto et al, and US 2004/0008953 A1 to Ito et al all disclose optical receiving modules, comprising a die capacitor with a light receiving module disposed on top of it. However, all of these teachings do not disclose nor suggest the use of a structure for interrupting the adhesive from spreading from the mounting area to the bonding area. US 6,857,665 B2 to Yamada et al disclose a die bonded capacitor (100) bonded to leads (93) through silver paste (90). However, the teachings of Yamada et al do not disclose nor suggest the disposition of a light receiving device disposed on top of the die capacitor; in addition, it does not disclose nor suggest the use of a structure to interrupt the adhesive from spreading.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion


4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Patrick J. Lee whose telephone number is (571) 272-2440. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 5:30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David P. Porta can be reached on (571) 272-2444. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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